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SUBJECT: KOSAKA ARMS CONTROL LETTER TO PRESIDENT

REF: TOKYO 2662

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF REPLY TO KOSAKA LETTER BY SECRETARY: QUOTE: MR. ZENTARO KOSAKA, CHAIRMAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS RESEARCH COUNCIL OF LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY. DEAR MR. KOSAKA: THE PRESIDENT HAS ASKED ME TO RESPOND TO YOUR LETTER CONCERNING LIMITING CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS. WE ARE GRATIFIED THAT YOU SHARE OUR DEEP CONCERN WITH THE PROBLEM OF UNRESTRAINED ARMS SALES, UNCLASSIFIED

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AS WAS DEMONSTRATED BY THE STATESMANLIKE INITIATIVE WHICH YOU PROPOSED AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS LAST SEPTEMBER.

AS YOU KNOW, THE UNITED STATES IS NOW COMMITTED TO THE BASIC PRINCIPLE OF FINDING A WAY TO REDUCE THE SALE OF ARMS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. TO THIS END, WE ARE CURRENTLY

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CONDUCTING A SEARCHING AND COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE SUBJECT. THE POLICIES WHICH EMERGE FROM THIS REVIEW WILL BE THE BASIS FOR OUR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE CONTROL

OF OUR OWN ARMS SALES AND TO FOSTER INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LIMITATION.

IN THIS DIFFICULT BUT VITAL TASK, JAPAN IS ALREADY PLAYING A CRUCIAL ROLE. JAPAN'S OWN POLICIES ON ARMS SALES ARE EXEMPLARY, AND PROVIDE AN ADMIRABLE BASIS FOR DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES IN BOTH GLOBAL AND REGIONAL ARENAS. YOUR PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN IMPARTIAL FORUM FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATION ON THE ARMS TRADE IS A WELCOME AND USEFUL STEP FORWARD. THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, A COMMON UNDERSTANDING OF THE DIMENSIONS OF THE PROBLEM, AND MUTUAL TRUST, ARE ALL NECESSARY FOR THE FORMULATION OF EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO RESTRAIN ARMS TRANSFERS.

WHILE THE DIFFICULTIES ARE VERY GREAT, AS YOU SURELY KNOW, WE MUST PERSEVERE IN OUR EFFORTS TO RESTRAIN THE INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN ARMS AS A MEANS OF FURTHERING THE CAUSE OF PEACE. CYRUS VANCE. UNQUOTE.

2. REQUEST EMBASSY DELIVER ABOVE LETTER TO KOSAKA IN APPROPRIATE MANNER.
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